

REMARKS:

In view of the foregoing amendments and the following remarks please reconsider the current application.

The claims have been amended in order to be distinguished from the examiner's cited references considered both alone and in combination. The claims have also been amended to replace the term "clamp means" with "clamp members". Other minor corrections to the particular form of the claims have also been entered without affecting the scope of the claims.

More particularly claim 1 has been amended to include the subject matter of previously submitted dependent claim 5 along with the subject matter of any intervening claim so as to now be in condition for allowance as previously indicated by the examiner.

Similarly independent claim 10 has been amended to include the subject matter of previously submitted dependent claim 15 and independent claim 16 has been amended to include the subject matter of previously submitted dependent claim 17, so that each should also now be in condition for allowance as previously indicated by the examiner.

Favorable reconsideration of this application is earnestly solicited.

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